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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated August 7, 2007, Applicant re-submits herewith the response to the Office action mail February 23, 2007 with the necessary changes as requested by the Examiner.

In response to the Office action mailed February 23, 2007, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.